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JOE HILVER CONDEMNED HIS BEST
FRIEND...TO SAVE HIS SUBMARINE!
WHAT HAPPENED THEN WAS STRANGE,
BAFFLING! READ THE THRILLING FACTS
IN... "The AWAKENING!"

NO, JOE...DON'T CLOSE
THE DOOR ON ME! YOU
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IT WAS A BAFFLING CASE AND POSSIBLY A HOPELESS ONE! MEDICAL SCIENCE HAD EXHAUSTED EVERY POSSIBILITY, BUT STILL THE PATIENT'S HELPLESS STUPOR DRAGGED ON! A SINGLE SLIM CHANCE OF RECOVERY STILL REMAINED, BUT IT WAS DANGEROUS... AND NO MAN COULD KNOW WHAT WOULD HAPPEN AFTER...

The AWAKENING!



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WITHIN THE ROOM A YOUNG PATIENT SAT MOTIONLESS, STARING BLANKLY...

HE'S BEEN THIS WAY FOR THREE YEARS, DR. HOWARD! I'VE TRIED EVERYTHING ON HIM...DRUGS, SHOCK ELECTROTHERAPY...IT'S ALL BEEN USELESS!

HMM...HE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW WE'RE HERE!

HE NEVER SAYS A WORD...OR RESPONDS WHEN SPOKEN TO! THINK OF IT! THE MAN'S A WAR HERO...AND MORE HELPLESS THAN A CHILD! AND THERE'S NOT A THING PHYSICALLY WRONG WITH HIM!

I WANT TO HEAR ALL ABOUT IT...THE WHOLE STORY!

IT'S AN INTERESTING CASE! THE PATIENT'S NAME IS JOE HILYER! HE VOLUNTEERED FOR THE SUBMARINE SERVICE AT THE START OF THE WAR WITH JAPAN-



HE WAS ASSIGNED TO THE MARLIN, WHICH HAD JUST LAUNCHED...

ISN'T IT GREAT...US ON THE SAME SHIP, TERRY?

SURE IS, JOE! LET'S HOPE WE SEE SOME ACTION!



YES, JOE HILYER HAD MADE A GREAT FRIEND IN BOOT CAMP... TERRY PHILLIPS! AS THE MARLIN MADE HER TEST RUNS...

THEY CALL THIS FIGHTING? I DIDN'T JOIN THE NAVY TO SCRUB DECKS!

DON'T WORRY! WE'LL HAVE OUR FILL BEFORE WE'RE THROUGH!



SO IT PROVED! BEFORE LONG, THE MARLIN WAS IN JAPANESE WATERS, THE SCOURGE OF COASTAL SHIPPING...

NIP FREIGHTER DEAD CENTER! TUBES 3 AND 5...FIRE!



BA-ROOK!

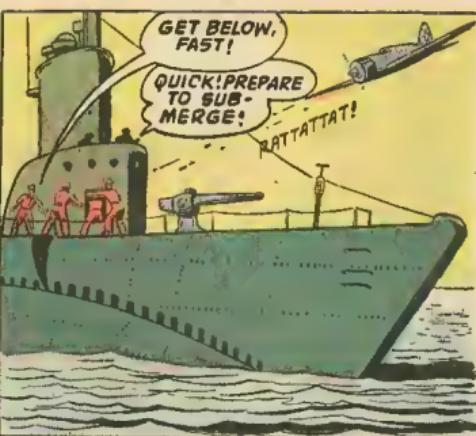


THE MARLIN'S DANGEROUS MISSIONS CONTINUED FOR MONTH AFTER MONTH, AND IN THE CRAMPED CONFINES OF THE VESSEL, THE FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN JOE AND TERRY GROW EVER STRONGER...

WE DON'T WANT TO LOSE TOUCH AFTER THE WAR, TERRY! I THINK WE OUGHTA GO INTO BUSINESS TOGETHER!

GOOD IDEA, JOE!





The sub could have fought off the single plane easily, but it was clear that others would shortly be on the scene...





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SAY HEY, DAVY CROCKETT!

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IT WAS THE MOST TERRIBLE DECISION ANY MAN EVER FACED...BUT JOE HAD THE COURAGE TO DO IT! AS HE BARELY MANAGED TO SEAL OFF THE COMPARTMENT...

I...I'VE DOOMED THEM ALL...INCLUDING MY BEST FRIEND!

GET A GRIP ON YOURSELF, HILYER...YOU DID THE ONLY THING POSSIBLE! IF YOU HADN'T...WE'D ALL BE DOOMED!



HOURS LATER THE CRAFT RISKED SURFACING! AS IT LIMPED TOWARD PORT...

THAT JOE HILYER DESERVES A MEDAL! HE SAVED ALL OUR LIVES!

I KNOW, BUT ALL HE THINKS OF IS THAT HE'S LOST HIS BEST FRIEND! POOR GUY, HE WON'T EVEN TALK TO ANYBODY!



AS DR. SANDERS FINISHED HIS STORY...

JOE HAD BEGUN TO BROOD, AND BY THE TIME THE SUB REACHED PORT, HE WAS IN THE STATE OF SHOCK YOU SAW--AND HE'S NEVER RECOVERED!

I UNDERSTAND! WHAT AN AWFUL WEIGHT OF CONSCIENCE THE POOR FELLOW MUST FEEL!



TRUE, BUT THE MAN'S A HERO! HE DID THE ONLY THING POSSIBLE! NAVAL REPRESENTATIVES BY THE SCORE HAVE BEEN HERE TO TELL HIM SO, BUT NOTHING DOES ANY GOOD--HE DOESN'T EVER HEAR!

I GUESS ONLY TERRY PHILLIPS COULD CONVINCE HIM!...SAY, THAT GIVES ME AN IDEA!



NEXT DAY...

DR. SANDERS, MEET SAM BOONE! SAM'S AN ACTOR... AND ONE OF THE BEST MAKE-UP MEN IN THE WORLD! HAVE YOU ANY PICTURES OF TERRY PHILLIPS?

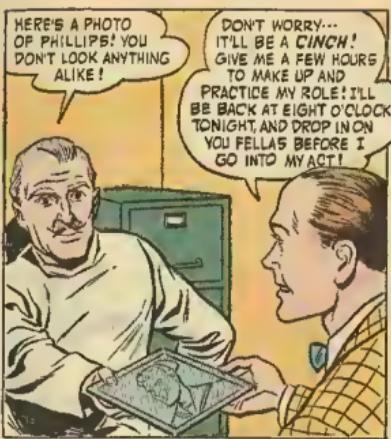
THERE ARE SOME IN THE FILES! WHAT DO YOU HAVE IN MIND?



DON'T YOU SEE? HILYER THINKS HE KILLED HIS BEST FRIEND, BUT IF TERRY HIMSELF FORGIVES HIM...THE SHOCK MIGHT WAKE HIM OUT OF THAT TRANCE! I'M SURE SAM COULD DO IT--GIVE HIM THE JOLT HE NEEDS!

WELL, WHY NOT? ANYTHING'S WORTH TRYING!







AFTER TERRY LEFT, JOE HURRIED TO THE WINDOW, AND TOOK DEEP GULPS OF AIR! FROM FAR OFF CAME THE SCREAM OF AN AMBULANCE SIREN HURRYING TOWARD THE HOSPITAL...



DRS. SANDERS AND HOWARD WERE TROUBLED BY THE FACT THAT SAM BOONE HAD NOT KEPT HIS APPOINTMENT WITH THEM WHEN JOE BURST INTO THE OFFICE...



AS JOE RECOUNTED THE EPISODE...



WHEN DR. HOWARD SAW THE ACCIDENT VICTIM...



The HITCH-HIKER

Psychiatrists get every type of patient — it's all in a day's work. You'd think it would take a lot to throw an experienced man like Dr. Robert Manners off stride, and you'd be right. Young, capable, level-headed, he managed to keep an objective viewpoint at all times — until Marge Campion came to him as a patient. Marge was just 22 and gorgeous, and it was small wonder that Dr. Manners fell in love with her. Hers was a strange case — a melancholia induced by the death, in Korea, of her twin brother Tom. Actually, there was nothing unexpected in her reaction to the loss of her soldier brother. There's always a closer bond between twins, and these two had been inseparable. The great love they bore each other came from being raised together, from having identical tastes, identical reactions. Under Dr. Manners' skilled ministrations, Marge made an excellent recovery — but by that time, they were head-over-heels in love with each other. And before she left to return to her home in Vermont, they were engaged.

Marge had to return, to attend to an ailing mother, and Bob's busy practice prevented him from joining her immediately. But it was arranged that month later, when the time for his vacation came, he would drive up to her Vermont home, where they would be married at once. It was the slowest month that Bob Manners had ever known. Time dragged intolerably, and when at last he was free to go, not even the torrential rainstorms which were then sweeping the New England states could stop him. He left as soon as day had dawned, and darkness found him in the mountains of Vermont, driving along the narrow and windswept roads, almost blinded by the rain which flooded his windshield.

He was driving along as rapidly as he dared, hoping to reach Marge's home by midnight. As he rounded a sharp curve in the road, his lights picked up a solitary figure huddled by the side of the road. "Soldier," reflected Bob. "I'll stop for him — couldn't leave anyone out on a night like this!" He picked the man up, and they drove on together. There was a strange familiarity about the man, as if he'd met him somewhere before. "Am I

on the right road for Clendenning?" he asked the man.

"You are — but you'll never get there if you stay on it! This storm just washed the bridge out. You'll have to take the detour at the next crossroads, even if it is 40 miles farther!"

Forty miles farther! If he took it, he might not be able to reach Marge's that night! Then suddenly, a thought struck him. "You say the storm just washed the bridge out. How do you know? Who told you?"

"Nobody told me. I just know, that's all!"

Just his luck to meet a man who was touched — or at least, eccentric. So, despite the soldier's pleas and arguments, Bob didn't take the detour, but stayed on the road towards the bridge. As he rounded the curve leading to its approach, he felt the soldier tense, but was unprepared for what happened next. For suddenly, the man leaned towards him, grasped the wheel and spun it hard. The car left the road, its tires screaming, and smashed into a tree. Bob wasn't hurt, hardly even dazed—but in the few seconds it took him to collect his senses, the soldier seemed to have strangely disappeared. The car's headlights picked out the road, which vanished into nothingness. *The bridge was out!*

Bob didn't reach Marge's home until the following morning, but he didn't care, so relieved was he about just being alive. If he'd rounded that curve and kept on at the speed he was travelling, it would have meant certain death. He was telling the story thankfully to Marge when he broke off, his eyes fastened on a picture on the piano. Slowly he went towards it, picked it up. "Who—who's this?" he finally whispered, through lips suddenly dry.

"It's Tom—my twin brother! He had his picture taken in uniform just before he left for Korea! He—died a month later! Why are you looking like that?"

Dr. Robert Manners said nothing. As soon as he could, he changed the subject. How could he tell her that the hitch-hiker whom he'd picked up last night — the man who'd saved his life and brought him back to her — was this very soldier?

Someone To Watch Over You!



ELVES, GHOMES, LEPRECHAUNS, FAIRIES ---ALL OF THEM JUST CREATURES OF THE IMAGINATION! STRANGE, THEN, WHAT HAPPENED TO TIM FRESE ---BUT LET'S NOT GET AHEAD OF OUR STORY!

TIM WAS AN UNSUCCESSFUL PLAYWRIGHT WHO BARELY EKED OUT A LIVING IN NEW YORK...

THEY HAD HAD MANY SUCH ARGUMENTS, AND NOW A CRISIS HAD ARRIVED...





A MOOD OF DEEP DESPAIR SETTLED OVER TIM, AND THAT NIGHT, BROODING BEFORE A ROARING FIRE...



HE WHIRLED IN STARK AMAZEMENT...



HE PINCHED HIMSELF, AND LEARNED THAT HE WAS AWAKE! BUT HOW TO EXPLAIN THE INCREDIBLE SIGHT BEFORE HIM...?



MY... FAIRY GODMOTHER? BUT THAT'S RIDICULOUS!



YOU SEE, I'M MISERABLE ABOUT THE HOUSE BEING SOLD, TOO! AND IF THE WOODS ARE CUT DOWN, ALL MY LITTLE FRIENDS WILL LOSE THEIR HOMES! COME, I WANT YOU TO MEET THEM!



NEXT MOMENT---APPEARING OUT OF NOWHERE...



DO YOU BELIEVE ME NOW, TIM? YOU SEE, MY LITTLE FRIENDS HAVE **ALWAYS** LIVED IN HERE, AND IF MR. CRONE DESTROYS THE WOODS, THEY'LL ALL BE HOMELESS, POOR DEARS!

WE...WE CAN'T ALLOW THAT TO HAPPEN!



IT WAS THE SLIMMEST OF HOPES, BUT WHAT DID TIM HAVE TO LOSE?

OKAY, LET'S GET TO WORK! BY THE WAY, WHAT'S YOUR NAME, FAIRY GODMOTHER?

I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN CALLED JULIENNE...BUT YOU MAY CALL ME JULIE! THE FIRST STORY WILL BE 'ABOUT AN ELF AND A TOADSTOOL!'...**ONCE UPON A TIME...**



BEFORE HIS ASTONISHED EYES...

POP! WOW! SHE DISAPPEARED... JUST LIKE THAT!



HAVEN'T MADE COLLECTIONS HERE IN **YEARS**, MR. FREEZE! I'LL BE COMING AROUND EVERY DAY FROM NOW ON AT EXACTLY ONE O'CLOCK!

FINE! AND I SURE HOPE YOU'LL HAVE SOME LETTERS FOR ME!



BACK AT THE HOUSE...

YOU SAID YOU WERE GOING TO HELP ME...BUT HOW I NEED \$10,000!

PERHAPS YOU CAN EARN IT...BY WRITING CHILDREN'S STORIES! I KNOW JUST WHAT CHILDREN LIKE... I'LL WORK WITH YOU!



SHORTLY AFTER DAWN...

THAT WAS A GREAT STORY! I'LL SEND THIS OFF AIRMAIL TO A CHILDREN'S MAGAZINE!

GOOD! I MUST GO NOW...BUT I'LL BE BACK TONIGHT!



TWO DAYS LATER...

WELL, HERE'S YOUR FIRST LETTER... SPECIAL DELIVERY!

THANK HEAVENS! NOW IF IT'S ONLY GOOD NEWS!



HE RACED INSIDE THE HOUSE, TO FIND JULIE WAITING! PRANITICALLY HE RIPPED OPEN THE LETTER...

THEY BOUGHT IT! LISTEN TO THIS--"STORY GREAT! SEND MORE! CAN BUY ALL YOU WRITE!" AND IT'S SIGNED, J. HAYNES WINSTON, EDITOR! AND THERE'S A CHECK FOR \$300!

FINE! WELL, LET'S GET TO WORK!



FOR HOUR AFTER HOUR HIS TYPEWRITER CHATTERED AWAY...



HE CAN'T SEE US, TIM! IF I WANT TO ---ONLY YOU CAN! TALK TO MYSELF, GET RID OF HIM!

THAT'S MY BUSINESS CRONE! YOUD BETTER GO!



WITH SO LITTLE TIME AVAILABLE, TIM WORKED DAY AND NIGHT! HE FOUND THAT THE LITTLE FOLK IN THE WOODS WERE FULL OF STORIES...

I'M SURE THE KIDS WILL LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT SOMETHING THAT HAPPENED TO ME! IT WAS 200 YEARS AGO...

GO AHEAD... SHOOT!



ENGROSSED IN HIS WORK, TIM HADN'T HEARD CRONE APPROACHING...



JUST LOOKING AROUND... HEE-HEE! ONLY ONE MORE WEEK BEFORE FORECLOSURE!

IN THE FOLLOWING DAYS, TIM'S STORIES WENT OUT TO J. HAYNES WINSTON LIKE MACHINE-GUN BULLETS, AND CHECKS CAME BACK JUST AS FAST! BUT WHEN ONLY TWO DAYS REMAINED BEFORE THE MORTGAGE WAS DUE...

IT'S HOPELESS! ALL I'VE GOT IS \$7,000! I CAN'T POSSIBLY EARN THE REST!

THERE'S ONLY ONE CHANCE! ASK J. HAYNES WINSTON TO ADVANCE THE MONEY!



ALL RIGHT, THERE'S NOTHING ELSE I CAN DO! I'LL EXPLAIN TO HIM ABOUT THE HOUSE AND THE MORTGAGE... AND MAYBE HE'LL SEND THE DOUGH BY RETURN MAIL AS PRE-PAYMENT ON FUTURE STORIES! OH, IF ONLY HE COMES THROUGH!



BUT THE EARLIEST THE MONEY COULD ARRIVE WAS AT ONE OCLOCK ON SATURDAY AND THE MORTGAGE WAS DUE AT NOON! AT A GRIM CONFERENCE IN THE WOODS...



AT 11:45 OF THE FATAL DAY THE WOOD FOLK SWARMED OUT OF THE WOODS AND TOOK UP POSITIONS ALONG THE ROAD LEADING TO TIM'S HOME...



WHY DON'T YOU GIVE TIM A BIT MORE TIME TO PAY OFF CRONE? THAT HOME HAS BELONGED TO HIS FAMILY FOR GENERATIONS!

NOTHING DOING, SHERIFF! IF HE DOESN'T HAVE THE MONEY, YOU'D BETTER DO YOUR DUTY!



AS THE CAR PASSED THE SPOT WHERE THE ELVES AND GNOMES HAD ASSEMBLED...



NEITHER CRONE NOR THE SHERIFF SAW WHAT WAS HAPPENING, SO IT CAME AS A GREAT SURPRISE WHEN...

THAT'S FUNNY... THE MOTOR'S ACTING UP, AND I JUST HAD IT CHECKED! I BETTER HAVE A LOOK!

SPUT!
SPUT!

BE QUICK
ABOUT IT! I
DON'T HAVE ALL
DAY!

AND THEN THE MOTOR STOPPED OPERATING COMPLETELY...

HMM, DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANYTHING WRONG! WHY WON'T IT WORK?

WHY ASK ME?
COME ON, GET IT
FIXED!



MEANWHILE, THE MAIL TRUCK WENT SLOWLY ABOUT ITS ROUNDS...

JONES



AND AT THE SAME MOMENT...



MEANWHILE, THE SHERIFF WAS HAVING NO LUCK...



AS FAST AS HIS SPINOLY LEGS COULD CARRY HIM, CRONE HURRIED TOWARD THE HOUSE. IT WAS EXACTLY ONE O'CLOCK WHEN HE ARRIVED...



WITH TREMBLING HANDS HE TORE OPEN THE ENVELOPE...



IT WAS A JOYOUS PARTY TIM GAVE FOR ALL HIS FRIENDS) THAT NIGHT, ICE CREAM, CANDY, AND CAKE GALORE...



IT WAS THE Happiest DAY OF TIM'S LIFE, BUT IT WAS DESTINED TO END IN SADNESS...



SUDDENLY...



DOWNHEARTED, TIM RETURNED TO NEW YORK, WHERE HIS FIRST TASK WAS...



AS HE ENTERED THE CHIEF EDITOR'S OFFICE...



WHY, YES... JULIENNE HAYNES WINSTON! BUT ALL MY FRIENDS CALL ME... JULIE!

ER... I SEE! ARE YOU BUSY FOR LUNCH... JULIE? IT'S THE

LEAST I CAN DO FOR A GIRL WHO'S BEEN AS GOOD TO ME AS A... FAIRY GODMOTHER! BY THE WAY, ARE YOU MARRIED?



WELL, THEN... SHALL WE GO?

NO, I'M NOT MARRIED! AND I'D BE DELIGHTED TO HAVE LUNCH WITH YOU!



AND AS THEY WENT OUT, ARM IN ARM, SMILING, TIM WAS ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN THAT FROM THEN ON HE WOULD HAVE SOMEONE TO WATCH OVER HIM... HIS WIFE!

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Hello, "Forbidden Worlds" readers! This, our get-together page, will this month be dedicated to you, our fans! It's all yours!

This isn't any sudden idea, but something which you've deserved for a long, long time. So let's begin by voting each and every one of you the large sheaf of orchids which you deserve for helping to make "Forbidden Worlds" one of the leading strange story magazines on the market! You've bought our magazine—you've come back for more as steady readers—and as a result, we're firmly entrenched and enjoy a coast to coast following—thanks to you!

But your loyal support has gone much further than the mere purchase of our issues. Actually, you've helped to frame our magazine and make it the successful enterprise that it is. And we'd like to tell you exactly what you've done and how you've done it. To begin with, you've been our best friends by virtue of being our severest critics. You haven't been content to simply stand by and take what we gave you—for which you have our eternal and deep-felt appreciation. Just suppose you didn't like our fare—and just stopped buying "Forbidden Worlds"! This would have been well within your rights, but you didn't do it, thank Heavens! Instead, when you encountered something which you didn't like, you reared back and told us about it in no uncertain terms! If you didn't like a story, we heard your blasts, and weren't left in any doubt regarding just how you felt about it. Conversely, if we ran anything which you really went for, you were generous enough to write and let us know. This didn't go only for our stories, but for the manner in which they were illustrated as well. It even took in such details as lettering, coloring and printing. We got bouquets when you liked what we were doing—and brickbats when you didn't! And for our part, we listened closely to your reactions and ideas—and guarded ourselves carefully thereby. In consequence, we've been enabled to make "Forbidden Worlds" the kind of magazine which you enjoy reading, and we've reaped the profits. *Nothing's too good for all you fine folks—you're the best editors that any magazine ever had!* Your letters have guided us along the path to success,

and we hope you'll keep them up. Any of you who haven't written—please do so! Let us know your likes and dislikes—concerning this present issue, for instance. Personally, we got quite a bang out of our lead story, "The Awakening!" It has a novel angle, as well as a true challenge to the imagination. The same may be said for "Someone To Watch Over You!", a strange story with a touch of intriguing whimsy. Finally, there's "A Penny For Your Thoughts?", a real off-beat number that packs a punch. Remember, we're waiting to hear from you! Address your letter to The Editor, "Forbidden Worlds", 45 West 45th Street, New York 30, N. Y. For a sampling of the kind of mail we've been receiving lately, here goes!

"Dear Editor:—

Just got finished reading the November issue of 'Forbidden Worlds', and found it a well-balanced book. My favorite there was 'Nine Fathoms Deep'—it was a whale of a story. I liked 'Journey Into Time' also—give us more like both of these. I wasn't too sold on 'The Identical Twins', but I guess there are others who liked it. All in all, you're doing a swell job, and I'll be with you for a long time to come!

—Herman Hollinger, Tupelo, Miss.

"Dear Editor:—

'Forbidden Worlds' is the best comic on the market! What other magazine would come up with an out-of-the-world story like 'The Davy Crockett Mystery'? That's the best and cleverest story I've ever read. 'Stella and the Stranger' was pretty darned good, too. Your short subjects for the issue were just fair, I thought—but your mag's great!

—F. R. Martocci, Las Vegas, Nev.

"Dear Editor:—

I've never been much of a comics reader, and have just come back to them after an absence of some years. I hit the jackpot when I picked 'Forbidden Worlds'! I climbed on the bandwagon with your September issue. 'Pusycat on the Dog Star' was the best there—in fact, it was a lulu! 'One Exciting Knight' got my vote in October and 'Nine Fathoms Deep' in November. Where do you get your writers from? They're tops!

—William R. McCarty, Boston, Mass.

The Records!

IN AN OLD VIENNESE MUSIC SHOP...

I AM INTERESTED IN RARE OLD RECORDS... CAN YOU HELP ME?

CERTAINLY, SIR! PLEASE STEP INTO THE STOREROOM!



ANTON HAUSER WAS A FAMED CONCERT PIANIST, AND OWNER OF ONE OF THE GREATEST RECORD COLLECTIONS IN EUROPE...

AT HOME, ANTON FOUND MOST OF HIS PURCHASES WORTHLESS...



THE RECORD WAS OLD AND SCRATCHY, BUT THE QUALITY OF THE MUSIC WAS INSTANTLY APPARENT...

HMM, "SONATA FOR PIANO" COMPOSED AND PERFORMED BY WILLI KEIN! PROBABLY PURE JUNK!



SCARCELY DARING TO BELIEVE HIS EARS, THE PIANIST LISTENED TO THE RECORD AGAIN AND AGAIN, AND WHEN HE TRIED TO SLEEP THAT NIGHT...

I STILL HEAR IT... WEAVING ITS MAGIC SPELL! NO DOUBT ABOUT IT---WILLI KEIN IS A GENIUS! TOMORROW I SHALL FIND OUT ALL ABOUT HIM!



EARLY NEXT DAY HE VISITED AN OLD FRIEND,
A GREAT MUSICAL AUTHORITY...



AT THE STATE NATIONAL LIBRARY...



BUT WHEN HE TRIED TO FIND IT...



He INSTIGATED AN IMMEDIATE SEARCH...



INTENDING
TO TRACK
THE MYSTERY
TO ITS ROOTS,
HE WENT BACK
TO THE SHOP
WHERE HE HAD
BOUGHT THE
RECORDS, BUT
AS HE
APPROACHED
IT...

STRANGE, THEY SEEM TO HAVE COMPLETELY
RENOVATED IT SINCE YESTERDAY!



I WISH TO SPEAK TO THE 5 I BEG YOUR
OWNER! I PURCHASED PARDON, SIR...
SOME DUSTY OLD RECORDS BUT WE DON'T
HANDLE OLD
RECORDS! I AM THE
OWNER, AND I DON'T
REMEMBER SEEING
YOU HERE
YESTERDAY!





WHEN HE WENT TO BED THAT NIGHT, ANTON WAS SUFFERING FROM AN ATTACK OF NERVES! HE HAD BEEN TOSSED FOR HOURS WHEN SUDDENLY...



LEAPING FROM BED, HE QUICKLY TOOK UP PEN AND MUSIC PAPER...

I'VE GOT TO GET IT ALL DOWN, NOTE FOR NOTE! I'LL PLAY IT AT ONE OF MY CONCERTS! THERE'S GOT TO BE SOMEONE WHO HEARD WILLI KEIN PLAY IT! THAT'S HOW I'LL FIND OUT THE TRUTH ABOUT ALL THIS!



SEVERAL WEEKS LATER...



ANTON HAUSER PERFORMED THE WORK ALL OVER EUROPE, WITHOUT EVER UNCOVERING A SINGLE CLUE...





@ PENNY ^{for} YOUR THOUGHTS!

"A PENNY FOR YOUR THOUGHTS!" HOW MANY TIMES HAVE WE ALL HEARD THAT POPULAR EXPRESSION? BUT SOME THOUGHTS ARE WORTH FAR MORE THAN PENNIES... THEY CAN SAVE LIVES! BILL AND FRANK HOWARD FOUND A WAY TO PUT THEIR THOUGHTS TO WORK --- THOUGH IT CONFOUNDED ALL THE WORLD'S GREAT SCIENTISTS AND PROFESSORS OF OCCULT PHENOMENA!



The brothers grew up in the hectic atmosphere of the circus, the sons of aerial daredevils---



Under the glitter of the big top, surrounded by fabulous performers, it would have been only natural for them to think of similar careers for themselves...



BUT YOU CAN HAVE TOO MUCH CIRCUS LIFE! AS THEY GREW OLDER...

I'M SICK AND TIRED OF THE CIRCUS, FRANK! GOSH, I'D MUCH RATHER BE A SCIENTIST!

THAT'S FUNNY... THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO BE, TOO!

THEIR PARENTS WERE MOMENTARILY DISAPPOINTED, BUT DID EVERYTHING TO HELP THEM...

WELL, IF YOU BOYS REALLY WANT TO GO TO COLLEGE AND STUDY SCIENCE...

WE'D HOPED YOU'D FOLLOW IN OUR FOOTSTEPS... BUT I GUESS YOU KNOW YOUR OWN MINDS!

TWO YEARS LATER, AT A WELL-KNOWN EASTERN UNIVERSITY...

FINE LADS, THOSE HOWARD BOYS! CAN'T MAKE UP MY MIND WHO'S MORE BRILLIANT, BILL OR FRANK?

WHEN THE LONG PERIOD OF STUDY AND PREPARATION HAD PASSED...

OUTSTANDING AT THESE GRADUATION EXERCISES ARE WILLIAM AND FRANK HOWARD--WHO HAVE ACHIEVED THE HIGHEST GRADES IN THE HISTORY OF THIS UNIVERSITY!

BOYS, YOU'VE DONE US PROUD! WHAT NOW?

WE'VE BEEN OFFERED EXCELLENT JOBS WITH A NEW YORK ELECTRONIC FIRM! WE'LL HAVE A LABORATORY ALL TO OURSELVES!

IN COLLEGE THEY HAD BEEN KEENLY INTERESTED IN DEVISING NEW WAYS TO MEASURE FAINT ELECTRICAL WAVES! THEY CARRIED THEIR WORK FORWARD AMID THE MOST ADVANCED EQUIPMENT...

WE CAN MEASURE ANY ELECTRICAL IMPULSE--NO MATTER HOW SLIGHT! SAY, THE BRAIN IN THOUGHT DISCHARGES SMALL AMOUNTS OF ELECTRICITY--ALMOST LIKE A RADIO BEAM!

YOU'RE THINKING THE SAME THING I AM!

IF THE BRAIN IS LIKE A TINY RADIO, WHY CAN'T WE BUILD A MACHINE TO LISTEN IN ON WHAT A PERSON IS THINKING?

I'LL BET WE CAN DO IT--AND IT'LL BE SENSATIONAL!

WHAT BEGAN ALMOST AS A HOBBY BECAME THEIR ALL-ENGROSSING WORK IN THE FOLLOWING MONTHS...

I KNOW WE CAN DO IT...
THE PRINCIPLES ARE QUITE SIMPLE! ALL WE NEED IS A DELICATE ENOUGH MECHANISM!

JUST THINK, IF THIS WORKS IT'LL BE LIKE
A TELEPHONE WITHOUT WIRES
...AND YOU WON'T HAVE TO SPEAK!

MORE THAN A YEAR AND A HALF OF HEARTBREAKING FAILURE PASSED BEFORE ALL THE TECHNOLOGICAL PROBLEMS HAD BEEN SOLVED...

THIS HAS GOT TO WORK THIS TIME... IT'S SCIENTIFICALLY PERFECT!

OKAY... LET'S TEST IT!

THEY HAD BUILT IDENTICAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES, AND NOW IN SEPARATE ROOMS... THE MECHANISMS WERE ACTIVATED...

OKAY, BILL, I'M THINKING NOW! MY MESSAGE IS... "THIS IS A FINE DAY!" DO YOU READ ME?

Y-YES! YOU THOUGHT... "THIS IS A FINE DAY!"

IT WORKED! IT WORKED!

YIPPEE! IT'S ONE OF THE WORLD'S GREATEST DISCOVERIES!

THEY TESTED THE DEVICES IN EVERY CONCEIVABLE WAY, SEPARATING THEMSELVES AT EVER-GREATER DISTANCES...

OKAY, FRANK, I'M IN A FIELD OUTSIDE CHICAGO! CAN YOU GET ME IN NEW YORK?

IN A NEW YORK HOTEL ROOM...

...IN A FIELD OUTSIDE CHICAGO! CAN YOU GET ME IN NEW YORK?

YES, I HEAR YOU PERFECTLY! THE DEVICE WORKS AT ANY DISTANCE!

WELL, I GUESS IT'S TIME TO LET THE WORLD IN ON OUR DISCOVERY! WHAT A REPUTATION IT'LL GIVE US!

WHY HURRY TO REVEAL OUR SECRET? LET'S KEEP IT TO OURSELVES FOR JUST A LITTLE WHILE!

BOY... HAVE I GOT ME AN IDEA ALL OF A SUDDEN! IF WE COULD MAKE THOSE MACHINES SMALL ENOUGH, AND CONCEAL THEM ON OUR PERSONS--- PEOPLE WOULD THINK THAT WE'RE PSYCHIC!

BUT WHAT GOOD WOULD THAT DO?

DIDN'T YOU LEARN ANYTHING ABOUT SHOWMANSHIP AT THE CIRCUS, FRANK? PEOPLE'D THINK US THE WORLD'S GREATEST MIND READERS ---WHAT A LARK THAT WOULD BE! AND LATER, WE'D LET THEM KNOW THE FACTS, AND TURN THE DEVICE OVER TO SCIENCE!

IT TOOK MONTHS TO PERFECT ELECTRONIC DEVICES TO LOOK AND BE WORN AS WRIST WATCHES...

AS LONG AS WE'RE WEARING THESE WE CAN BE ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD AND READ EACH OTHER'S THOUGHTS--IF THE SWITCH IS ON!

IT'S AMAZING, ISN'T IT? LIKE MOM AND DAD WANTED, WE'RE GOING TO BE SHOWMEN AFTER ALL!



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SORRY, GENTLEMEN, WE'RE NOT DOING THIS FOR MONEY!



FAMOUS SCIENTISTS EXPRESSED CONFLICTING OPINIONS...

I DON'T BELIEVE IN MENTAL TELEPATHY!

NONSENSE! THEY'RE REALLY PSYCHIC!

IF YOU MEN REALLY DO POSSESS EXTRAORDINARY POWERS, YOU WON'T MIND UNDERTAKING VARIOUS TESTS!

IN FACT, WE'LL WELCOME IT!



BILL AND FRANK WERE SEPARATED IN EVERY CONCEIVABLE WAY. SOMETIMES THOUSANDS OF MILES APART--BUT ALWAYS THEY MANAGED TO COMMUNICATE--

SEND YOUR BROTHER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE...

WELL, WHAT DO YOU HEAR YOUR BROTHER SAYING?



IT WAS NOT LONG AFTERWARD THAT FRANK HOWARD FELL IN LOVE! AS AN INTERNATIONAL CELEBRITY, THE NEWSPAPERS FEATURED HIS ROMANCE AND WEDDING--

HOW'S ABOUT A KISS FOR THE BEST MAN?

GET IT OVER WITH, BILL... I'M NEXT!



AS THEY SAILED TOWARD THE WEST INDIES...

HAPPY, DARLING?

YOU KNOW I AM! IT'S SO NICE TO GET AWAY FROM EVERYBODY AND EVERYTHING!



THE SEA WAS CALM AND SMOOTH, THE DAYS BRILLIANT WITH SUNSHINE--UNTIL--

I DON'T LIKE THE LOOKS OF THOSE CLOUDS, FRANK! WE BETTER HEAD TOWARD LAND!

WE'RE TWO DAYS OUT! I'D BETTER RADIO FOR A WEATHER REPORT!



AS THE WORLD WONDERED...

MAYBE IT'S TIME WE REVEALED OUR SECRET, BILL--MANKIND CAN USE OUR DISCOVERY!

LET'S WAIT... I'M HAVING FUN OUT OF HAVING PEOPLE THINK WE ARE CAPABLE OF MENTAL TELEPATHY!



THAT AFTERNOON, AS THE YOUNG COUPLE EMBARKED ON THEIR HONEYMOON...

YOU TWO ARE SURE GOING OUT OF YOUR WAY TO HAVE PRIVACY!

THIS CRUISE IS JUST WHAT WE WANT!



HELLO? HELLO?... Pardon it, THERE'S NOTHING BUT STATIC ON THIS THING! I CAN'T GET THROUGH!

I'M SCARED, FRANK... THERE ARE PLENTY OF HURRICANES IN THESE WATERS!



IMMENSE THUNDERHEADS GATHERED, FOLLOWED BY A TERRIFIC ELECTRICAL STORM! THE WIND ROSE, AND THEN... HURRICANE!



THE FRAIL YACHT TOOK A FEARFUL POUNDING IN THE MOUNTAINOUS SEAS...

YOU'VE GOT TO RADIO OUR POSITION, FRANK!

ALL RIGHT! I'LL TRY AGAIN!

IT--IT'S HOPELESS! I GET NOTHING BUT STATIC!

FRANK! LOOK! WE'VE SPRUNG A LEAK! WATER'S COMING IN!



GRAB A LIFE JACKET, DARLING!

BUT THEY'VE GOT TO KNOW WHERE WE ARE, SO THEY CAN RESCUE US! FRANK, I JUST THOUGHT OF SOMETHING... SEND BILL OUR POSITION BY MENTAL TELEPATHY!



IT WAS THEN FRANK HOWARD REALIZED TO HIS HORROR THAT HE HAD NOT TAKEN THE ELECTRONIC DEVICE ALONG! ON DECK...

DID YOU SEND HIM THE MESSAGE? DID YOU?

YES, DARLING! OVER THE SIDE FAST--THE YACHT IS SINKING!



BILL WILL HAVE A PLANE SEARCHING FOR US--WE'LL BE SAVED!

HOW CAN I TELL HER THE TRUTH--NOW? WHAT A FOOL I WAS! I DIDN'T THINK I'D NEED THE DEVICE!



THE HARROWING NIGHT PASSED, AND MORNING FOUND THEM STILL AFOAT! BUT NOW THE SUN WAS BURNING AND THEY NEEDED WATER AND FOOD DESPERATELY...

DON'T GIVE UP HOPE--THERE'LL BE A PLANE ALONG!

I CAN'T TELL HER WE'RE GONE'S! WE'RE OFF ANY SHIP'S ROUTE--AND NOBODY HAS THE FAIREST IDEA OF WHERE WE ARE!



THE HOURS DRAGGED ON AND THEIR STRENGTH WANED! HE KNEW THEY COULD NOT SURVIVE ANOTHER NIGHT IN THE WATER, AND ALREADY THE SUN WAS SINKING WHEN...

LOOK! WE'RE SAVED!
GREAT GUNS... I GUESS THE COAST GUARD MUST BE MAKING A ROUTINE CHECK AFTER THAT STORM!

BUT WHEN THE PLANE LANDED, IT WAS BILL WHO EMERGED...

THANK GOODNESS I GOT YOUR MESSAGE, FRANK! WE'VE BEEN LOOKING FOR YOU ALL DAY!

M-MY MESSAGE? BUT BILL... I WASN'T HEARING THE DEVICE!

AS THE PLANE WINGED TOWARD THE MAINLAND THE BROTHERS STARRED AT EACH OTHER IN STARK AMAZEMENT...

I... I DON'T UNDERSTAND YOU TWO! WHAT'S THIS DEVICE YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT?

FRANK, I GOT YOUR DISTRESS CALL CLEAR AS DAY! BUT HOW COULD I, IF...



ON THE WAY TO NEW YORK, MARGE LEARNED THE TRUTH AND INCREDIBLE POSSIBILITY FLICKERED IN ALL THEIR MINDS...

BOTH THESE GADGETS ARE IN PERFECT ORDER! WE'VE NEVER TESTED THEM ON ANOTHER PERSON... SO LET'S TRY IT WITH MARGE!

OKAY, I'LL TAKE HER INTO THE OTHER ROOM!



MOMENTS LATER...

OKAY, MARGE, I'M SENDING! DO YOU READ MY THOUGHTS?

I... I DON'T GET A THING!



THOUGH THE DEVICES WERE IN PERFECT CONDITION, THEY DID NOT WORK WITH MARGE!

I... I THINK I UNDERSTAND NOW! WE NEVER INVENTED ANYTHING... WE JUST THOUGHT WE HAD! ALL THIS TIME WE REALLY DIDN'T POSSESS--MENAL TELEPATHY!

DON'T YOU SEE? WE THOUGHT OUR "INVENTION" WAS DOING IT... BUT ALL ALONG IT WAS OURSELVES! THE INVENTION IS WORTHLESS!

GREAT SCOTT, BILL... AND I WANTED TO ANNOUNCE IT TO THE WORLD! IT WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN WORTH A CENT!



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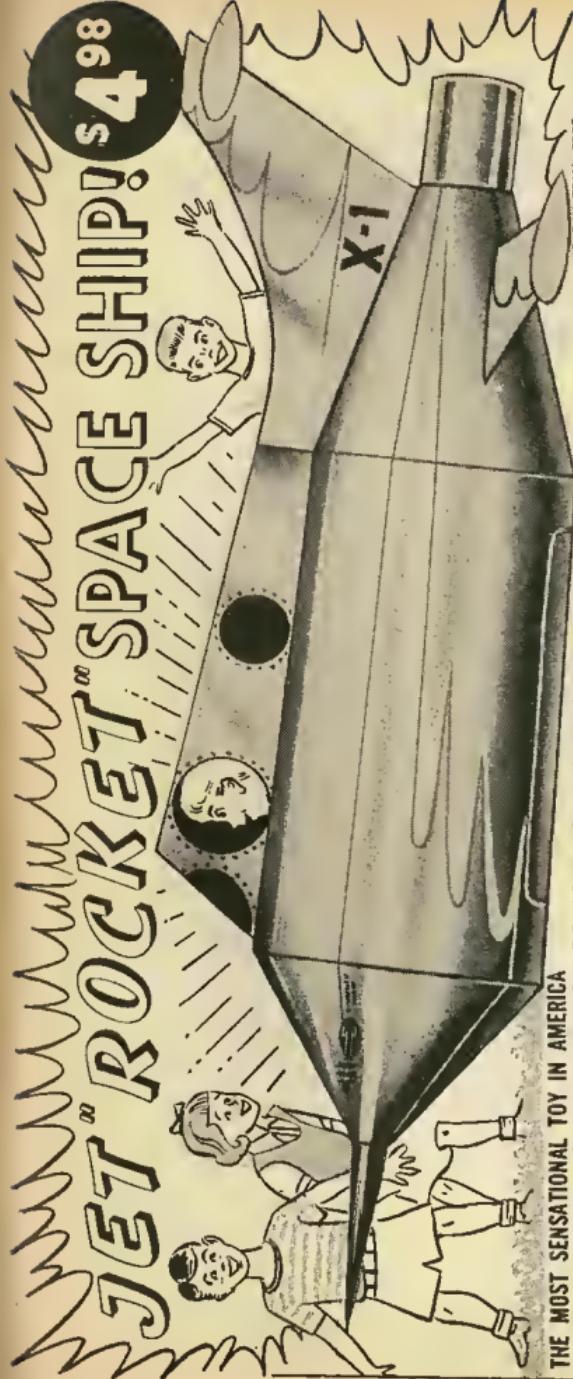
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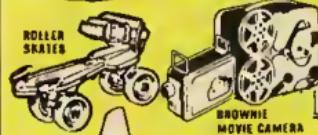


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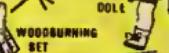
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